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Red Hood And The Outlaws Vol. 1: REDemption (The New 52)





Synopsis

No sooner has Batman's former sidekick, Jason Todd, put his past as the Red Hood behind him than he finds himself cornered by a pair of modern day outlaws: Green Arrow's rejected sidekick Arsenal, the damaged soldier of fortune, and the alien Starfire, a former prisoner of intergalactic war who won't be chained again. As a loner, Jason has absolutely no interest in this motley crew of outlaws. So what's he going to do when they choose the Red Hood as their leader?

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Customer Reviews

"Just about the perfect book... with solid action sequences, and intriguing plotlines involving high adventure, the New 52 doesn't get better than this." a "PopMatters"

Scott Lobdell is a veteran of the comic book industry, having worked with nearly every major American comic book publisher. Lobdell is best known for his work on Marvel's X-Men franchise in the 1990's, penning such works as Uncanny X-Men, Excalibur, The Age of Apocalypse, Generation X, amongst others. He is currently the writer of SUPERBOY, TEEN TITANS, and RED HOOD AND THE OUTLAWS, each a part of DC Comics - The New 52.

I know it might have been a little much for me to expect anything extremely deep or enthralling, but I was still hoping to experience something special. It's a fun read, that's for sure, but the story goes in all sorts of directions that don't always make much sense to me. The characters are interesting, of

course. Arsenal's a bit cocky, the Red Hood is gritty and headstrong, and Starfire is just... Starfire. I'm not exactly sure if I like how she's developed, as there isn't any development at all. At the start she's kind of used as sex appeal, but I'm hoping that they stray away from that eventually. I might be interested in getting the second volume, but the artwork and storyline isn't exactly enough to draw me in. If you're looking for a quick action fix, this might be for you, but otherwise I wouldn't buy it unless you're a big fan of Red Hood. It's a good borrow at best.

I love the artwork to this book, I enjoyed both Jason and Roy. Unfortunately Starfire was the worst character in the story she was nothing more than a basic sex object for most of it. Only one scene made me feel she was more than that not to mention how she treated and thought about the other characters. I'm hoping when I read Rebirth she will be portrayed as more of a character than in this. Jason was really good as he had an interesting past that everyone knows by now and feels like he is trying to grow as a person, Roy I felt sorry for and see that he is a good person to both of his teammates. I am confuse as to how Jason learned about Roy in the second issue though, but over all I still enjoyed both of the guys.

Red Hood: Jason Todd, former Robin, current vigilante, hates Batman. Starfire: Princess Koriand'r of the planet Tamaran, escaped slave. Arsenal: Roy Harper, former sidekick, uses a bow and arrow, likes the color red. Jason and Kori meet by chance, and some time later decide to get Roy out of a mess he's gotten himself into. Soon, they're involved in a battle between Jason's assassin trainers the All-Caste and an ancient evil called the Untitled. They also meet a giant flying lizard bat who hates aliens. (This isn't quite as silly as it sounds.) This is becoming one of my favorite titles of the New 52. I haven't quite caught up yet; I'm only up to volume 3, but I plan on getting volume 4 even though Scott Lobdell left the book at that point. The art by Kenneth Rocafort in this volume is fantastic, and the coloring by Blond really makes it come alive. To keep this review from being too long, I've shifted some things to the comments section.

I absolutely loved this story! It's funny and touching, basically everything I wanted in a comic book. I love this starfire even more than pre 52 and I don't understand why other people do not like her. I would highly recommend reading this! Can't wait to get the next volume!

This book isn't as bad as many people were led to believe. We actually get some solid Scott Lobdell writing here, and in return I actually can say that I like Jason Todd more than Tim Drake or Dick

Grayson at this point. Todd goes about doing what he does without drama, and if there is drama its not overwhelming to the point where you just get bored with the book. Arsenal and Starfire are written pretty much as a back up to Todd in this book, but serve the purpose of showing Todd, friends are often a good thing to have. After reading this book I can understand the controversy around Starfire. She was drawn as a woman every man dreams of "hitting", and to add insult to injury she out of nowhere asks Roy Harper if he wants to have sex. Now I wouldnt have a problem with this if there were actually some development between these two characters before this interaction, but there was none. Roy and Starfire had known each other for 3 weeks, but knew nothing about each other. They didnt even have a connection like Jason and Star had developed. It was unexplained, but if it was done properly it could have added an extra dynamic to the book. Everything else in this book is pretty good. Great story, great main character, great art, and we get some good feats for each character. Almost makes me wanna stop reading Aquaman and Flash, but I won't. If you are curious or want to read about the most bad ass "Robin" Red Hood and the Outlaws is the book to read.

This story not only opens up Jason's background to use, but it also unveils more of his complex personality. His relationship with Roy and Starfire are skillfully portrayed and entertaining to read. Well written.

One of the best stories I have read in a while! I was never a big comic book person, but after reading a few Batman comics I was curious about who the Red Hood was so I picked this book up. This book has some great action and even better comedy. It's also an interesting take on some unconventional super heroes. Highly recommend for anyone looking for a good read.

Scott Lobdell brings us all one crazy thrill ride of a story with Jason Todd as the red hood! The outlaws being Arsenal and Starfire, some more than amazing side kicks. Red and the outlaws take a journey to learn what they can from Ducra, chief(more or less) of the All Caste. Only to help them discover who members of the Untitled are, where they are hiding, and to stop them from what ever they have in store for this world of ours. Good story but can be clustered at times! I give it 3.8/5 stars.

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